

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 15th, 2017
6:30 P.M.
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The City of Girard Council Meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M. by Mayor, Kurt Ziegler with City Clerk, Debra Smith, calling roll to determine quorum present. The following council members answered roll: Sheldon DeLange, 1st Ward; Lucas Stansbury, 2nd Ward; Danny Murray, 3rd Ward; and Mike West, 4th Ward. There was a quorum present.

Also present were City Administrator, Chris Weiner and City Attorney, Richard D. Loffswold, Jr.

A prayer was given by DeLange.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Ziegler.

Motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange, accept the agenda as presented.

At 6:34 P.M. a public hearing opened for consideration of the scheduled condemnation process of 602 East Antelope. There was no one present in the audience representing this property or requesting an extension. The public hearing was closed at 6:36 P.M. on a motion by DeLange, seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

Motion by DeLange, seconded by Murray, accept the consent agenda with items A through D as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2017-10 \$153,313.30

1. Approval of Purchases over \$10,000

a. Girard Library (Budgeted Transfer) \$11,250.00

b. KMEA (Wholesale Electricity) \$53,323.73

c. P.W.W.S.D.#11 (Wholesale Water) \$17,000.00

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 1ST, 2017 MEETING.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE'S REPORT FROM MARCH 2017

D. ANNIVERSARY RAISE FOR DIRECTOR OF GOLF, PARKS AND RECREATION DOUGLAS GUNS FROM \$47,500 TO \$50,000 ANNUALLY.

An ordinance establishing a land bank was presented to Council by City Administrator Weiner. Modeled after Pittsburg, a land bank could return properties to productive use, reduce blight and incentivize growth. The ordinance was tabled for 2 weeks for council to review.

Motion by Murray, seconded by West, approve Resolution No. 2017-5, structure at 602 E. Antelope be removed or repaired by August 20, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by West, seconded by Murray, approve Resolution No. 2017-6, condemnation hearing for 505 S. Cherokee Street and setting the hearing date of June 26, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by DeLange, seconded by Murray, approve Resolution No. 2017-7, condemnation hearing for 619 S. Burnett Street and setting the hearing date of June 26, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange, approve Resolution No. 2017-8, condemnation hearing for 613 E. Walnut Street and setting the hearing date of June 26, 2017. Motion carried.

City Administrator presented a proposal by Civic Plus to host the City's website and re-design. Priced at \$3525 per year for four years, then a new re-design is automatic. Questions asked to be resolved in proposal were: Time for completion and the per year fee to start with the completion of website or date entered into the proposal. Weiner would look into these issues. Motion by West, seconded by Murray, table contract with Civic Plus for two weeks. Motion carried.

Item G was postponed until the end of the meeting with the need of an executive session under contractual matters.

Motion by West, seconded by Murray, approve proposed swimming pool rates and times of operation with opening day to be Saturday of Memorial Day weekend and to close Monday, Labor Day, as presented by Supervisor Guns. Motion carried.

Motion by DeLange, seconded by Stansbury, approve lifeguards as presented by Supervisor Guns, at the rate of \$7.50 per hour, to begin May 27th, 2017. Motion carried.
(Guns presented the names of Ilyanna Knopp, Camryn Towner, Andrea Vietti, Layne Karhoff, Kyler Siebert, Robert Adolph, Trenton Brutchin, Peyton Guiles, Kaden Belcher, and Camden McFarland all at a wage of \$7.50 per hour effective May 27th, 2017.)

Motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange, appoint Faith Paoni to the Library Board with the term beginning May 1, 2017, expiring in 4 years. Motion carried.

Department Heads were present to discuss 2018 budget preparations and desired needs for each department.

At 8:41 P.M. the meeting was called into executive session for non-elected personnel, to include Mayor, Council, City Administrator, City Attorney, Police Chief McDonald and with Utility Director Chris Franklin on call, for 15 minutes, on a motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange. Motion carried. After 8 minutes the McDonald came out of executive session and Franklin entered.

The meeting resumed at 8:56 P.M.

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At 8:59 P.M. the meeting was called into executive session for discussion of Item G, under contracts and agreements, to include Mayor, Council and City Attorney, for 10 minutes, on a motion by Murray, seconded by West. Motion carried.

The meeting resumed at 9:11 P.M.

Mayor announced Item G will be tabled for two weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M. on a motion by Murray, seconded by DeLange. Motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 30TH DAY OF MAY, 2017.

KURT ZIEGLER, MAYOR

DEBRA J. SMITH, CMC, CITY CLERK